

Form PTO-1449					ATTY. DOCKET NO. 0171-0765P		APPLICATION NO. 09/902,106		
<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION</b> <small>(Use several sheets if necessary)</small>					APPLICANT Syuuichi AZECHI				
FILING DATE July 11, 2001					GROUP Unassigned				
<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>									
EXAMINER INITIALS	DOCUMENT NUMBER	Kind	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE		
P.C.	US 6,046,294		2000-04-04	ACHENBACH et al.					
	US								
	US								
	US								
	US								
	US								
	US								
	US								
	US								
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>									
	Office	DOCUMENT NUMBER	Kind	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION	
								YES	NO
P.C.	EP	0 728 825	A1	1996-08-28	E.P.O.				
	EP	0 330 850	A2	1989-09-06	E.P.O.				
	EP	0 686 671	A2	1995-12-13	E.P.O.				
	EP	0 915 142	A2	1999-05-12	E.P.O.				
	EP	0 355 381	A1	1990-02-28	E.P.O.				
P.C.	EP	0 896 041	A1	1999-02-10	E.P.O.			X*	
<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS</b> (Include Name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.) date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.)									
EXAMINER <i>P.C.</i>					DATE CONSIDERED 7/04				
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.									

\* Cited on the European Search Report

ADM/csm